

Post title:	Deputy Head teacher
School:	Abingdon Primary School and Children's Centre
Pay range:	L15 to 19
Line manager:	The Headteacher and Governing Body
Supervisory responsibilities:	Assistant Head Teacher and named teachers

Main purpose of the job

- Carry out the duties of this post in line with the remit outlined in the current *School Teachers' Pay and Conditions Document* including the conditions of employment for deputy headteachers and the school's own policy
 - Under the overall direction of the headteacher play a lead role:
 - in formulating the aims, objectives of the school and establishing the policies through which they are to be achieved
 - be responsible for the quality of education of all pupils including monitoring and reporting of progress towards achievement
 - proactively manage staff and resources including the smooth running of the school day
 - Take full responsibility for the school in the absence of the headteacher
 - Carry out the professional duties of a teacher as required
 - Take responsibility for child protection issues as appropriate
 - Take responsibility for promoting and safeguarding the welfare of children and young people within the school
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Duties and responsibilities

Shaping the future

- In partnership with the headteacher and governors establish and implement an ambitious vision and ethos for the future of the school
- Play a leading role in the school improvement and school self-evaluation planning process
- In partnership with the headteacher manage school resources
- Devise, implement and monitor action plans and other policy developments
- Lead by example to motivate and work with others
- In partnership with the headteacher, lead by example when implementing and managing change initiatives
- Promote a culture of inclusion within the school community where all views are valued and taken in to account
- Keep fully up to date with educational policy and legislation in relation to Safeguarding

Leading teaching and learning

- Be an excellent role model, exemplifying a high standard of teaching and promoting high expectations for all members of the school community
- Work with the headteacher to raise standards through staff performance management
- Lead the development and delivery of training and support for staff
- Lead the development and review of all aspects of the curriculum including planning, recording and reporting, assessment for learning and the development of a creative and appropriate curriculum for all pupils

- Work in partnership with the headteacher in managing the school through strategic planning and the formulation of policy and delivery of strategy, ensuring management decisions are implemented
- With the headteacher, lead the processes involved in monitoring, evaluating and challenging the quality of teaching and learning taking place throughout the school, including lesson observations to ensure consistency and quality
- Ensure the systematic teaching of basic skills and recording of impact is consistently high across the school
- Develop, review systems to ensure robust evaluation of school performance, progress data and actions to secure improvements comparable to appropriate national standards
- Ensure, through leading by example, the active involvement of pupils and staff in their own learning

Developing self and others

- Demonstrate the interpersonal skills and abilities to be able to promote and develop the individual or team
- Lead the development of collaborative approaches to learning within the school and beyond
- Organise and support the induction of staff new to the school and those being trained within the school
- Participate as required in the selection and appointment of teaching and support staff, including overseeing the work of supply staff/trainees/volunteers in the school in the absence of the headteacher
- Be an excellent role model for both staff and pupils in terms of being reflective and demonstrating a desire to improve and learn
- Take responsibility and accountability for identified areas of leadership, including statistical analysis of pupil groups, progress data and target setting
- Work with the headteacher to deliver an appropriate programme of professional development for all staff including quality coaching and mentoring, in line with the school improvement plan and performance management
- Lead the annual appraisal process for all identified support and teaching staff

Managing the organisation

- Lead regular reviews of all school systems to ensure statutory requirements are being met and improved on where appropriate
- Ensure the effective dissemination of information, the maintenance of and ongoing improvements to agreed systems for internal communication
- Working with the head teacher, undertake key activities related to professional, personnel/HR issues
- Manage HR and other leadership processes as appropriate e.g. sickness absence, disciplinary, capability
- In partnership with the head teacher support strategic, curriculum-led financial planning to ensure effective use of budgets and resources
- Ensure a consistent approach to standards of behaviour, attendance and punctuality are implemented across the school
- Be a proactive and effective member of the senior leadership team
- Ensure the day-to-day effective organisation and running of the school including the deployment of staff as appropriate
- To undertake any professional duties, reasonably delegated by the headteacher

Securing accountability

- Support the Head teacher and Governors in accounting for the efficiency and effectiveness of the school
- Ensure that staff know and understand their professional responsibilities and are held to account
- Lead and support the staff and governing body in fulfilling their responsibilities with regard to the school's performance and standards
- Take responsibility for promoting and safeguarding the welfare of children and young people within the school
- Promote and protect the health and safety welfare of pupils and staff

Strengthening community

- Work with the headteacher in developing the policies and practice which promote inclusion, equality and the extended services that the school offers
- Work with the head teacher to build a school culture which takes account of the richness and diversity of the school including local, national and global communities
- Develop and maintain contact with all specialist support services as appropriate
- Promote the positive involvement of parents/carers in school life
- Organise and conduct meetings where appropriate with parents and carers to ensure positive outcomes for all parties
- Strengthen partnership and community working
- Promote positive relationships and work with colleagues in other schools and external agencies

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Signature of Post holder _____ Date / /

Signature of Headteacher _____ Date / /